

**CITY COUNCIL MINUTES**  
**December 18, 2006**  
**SPECIAL SESSION**

The Special Session of the Auburn City Council was held in the Council Chambers, City Hall, 1225 Lincoln Way, Auburn, California on Monday, December 18, 2006 at 6:00 p.m. with Mayor Bob Snyder presiding and City Clerk Joseph G.R. Labrie recording the minutes.

**CALL TO ORDER**

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**ROLL CALL:**

**Council Members Present:** Kevin Hanley, Keith Nesbitt, Bridgett Powers, Bob Snyder, J. M. Holmes

**Council Members Absent:** None

**Staff Members Present:** City Manager Robert Richardson

1. **Public Comment**

None

**COUNCIL BUSINESS**

2. **Cable Transfer from Starstream to Wave Communications**

City Manager Robert Richardson introduced the item.

Telecommunications Commission Chair Glenn Tonkin explained that the commission had contacted other municipalities that contract with Wave Communications and received positive responses. The commission also interviewed the Chief Operating Officer of Wave Communications to a favorable end. The commission supported the transfer.

Council questions and discussion followed. Holmes had no objections to the transfer. Hanley also supported the transfer. Nesbitt commended the Telecommunications Commission on its thoroughness. Powers stated that she looked forward to expanded and improved services. Snyder questioned whether or not there would be any dropped channels.

The vice president of Broadband Deployment for Wave Division stated that marketplace had to be evaluated before he could answer whether or not there would be any dropped or added channels.

Snyder expressed gratitude on behalf of the city council for the many hours the Telecommunications Committee spent in public service working on the transfer. Holmes also expressed his appreciation for everything the commission had done to assist the council and prepare for the transfer.

Joseph Labrie asked about the live television that the city was promised at least a year ago. The Wave representative was asked to return when the question could be answered. Glenn Tonkin advised that they are working on it with Auburn Community Television and would bring it back to the Council at a future date. Nesbitt asked if the city was going to prepare a policy or statute on the rules. City Manager Richardson advised that the issue will be brought to the Council for consideration and ultimate determination.

Richardson advised that a typographical error needed to be corrected on the 4<sup>th</sup> "whereas" of the resolution from 2004 to 2006.

By **RESOLUTION 06-139** approve the transfer of Cable Franchise from Starstream Communications to Wave Communications. **MOTION:**  
**Holmes/Hanley/Approved 5:0**

By **MOTION** it is requested that a letter be sent to Wave Communications expressing Council support based on resident comments for Wave Communications to investigate the feasibility of offering the limited basic service package as expressed in an interview Steve Freeman, Chief Operating Officer. **MOTION: Hanley/Nesbitt/Approved by Voice**

## **ADJOURNMENT**

Mayor Snyder adjourned the meeting at 6:30 p.m.

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Robert Snyder, Mayor

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Joseph G. R. Labrie, City Clerk

Transcribed by Deputy City Clerk Anne M. Cooley